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For: ISOLATED STROMAL CELLS : No. 9855-14U1
AND METHODS OF USING : (209855.0057)
THE SAME : (TJU-1857)

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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to and including March 23, 2000, for responding to the Office Action mailed November 23, 1999 (Paper No. 14). A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

Please charge the extension fee of \$55.00 and any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to the account of AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD, L.L.P., Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 209855.0057). One additional copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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